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# Cyber Security

Challenges in a Changing  
Internet Number Resource  
Environment

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# Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) Attacks



- If you want to take a network off the Internet, the easiest way to do it is with a DDoS attack.
- This is accomplished by simply blasting so much data at a network till it is overwhelmed.
- DDoS attacks are not new: hackers do this to sites they don't like and use it as a method of extortion.
- In 2007 the DDoS attack on Estonia marked the first time criminal spammer botnets threatened the national security of a country.

# Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) Attacks



## The Cyber-Attacks in Europe August 2007

Colossal 1 terabyte  
firm - reports

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October 5, 2012 BY DANFTH  
Turkish banks & gov  
on Christmas holiday

Emergent Tech ▶ Internet of Things

## 152k cameras in 990Gbps record-breaking dual DDoS

Hacked low-powered cameras and internet-of-things things

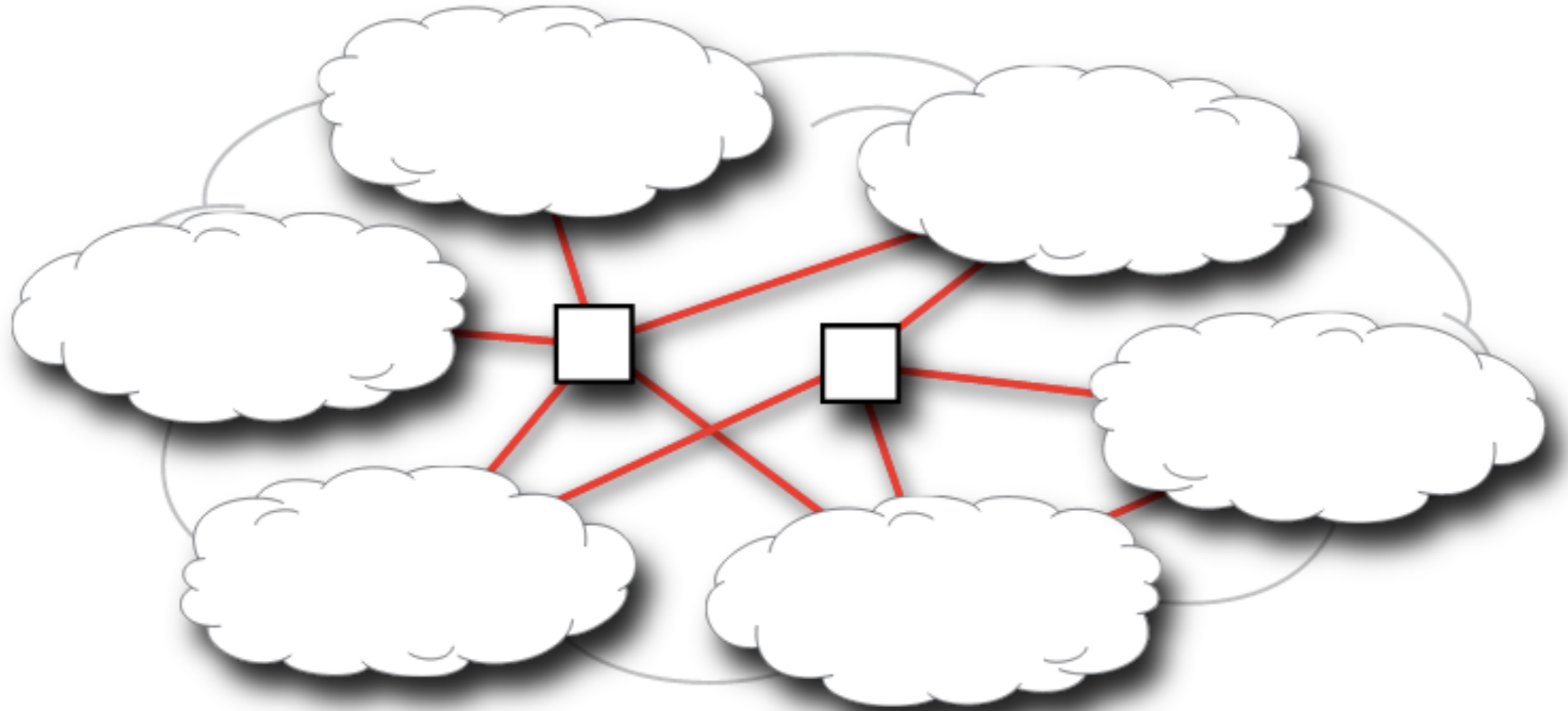
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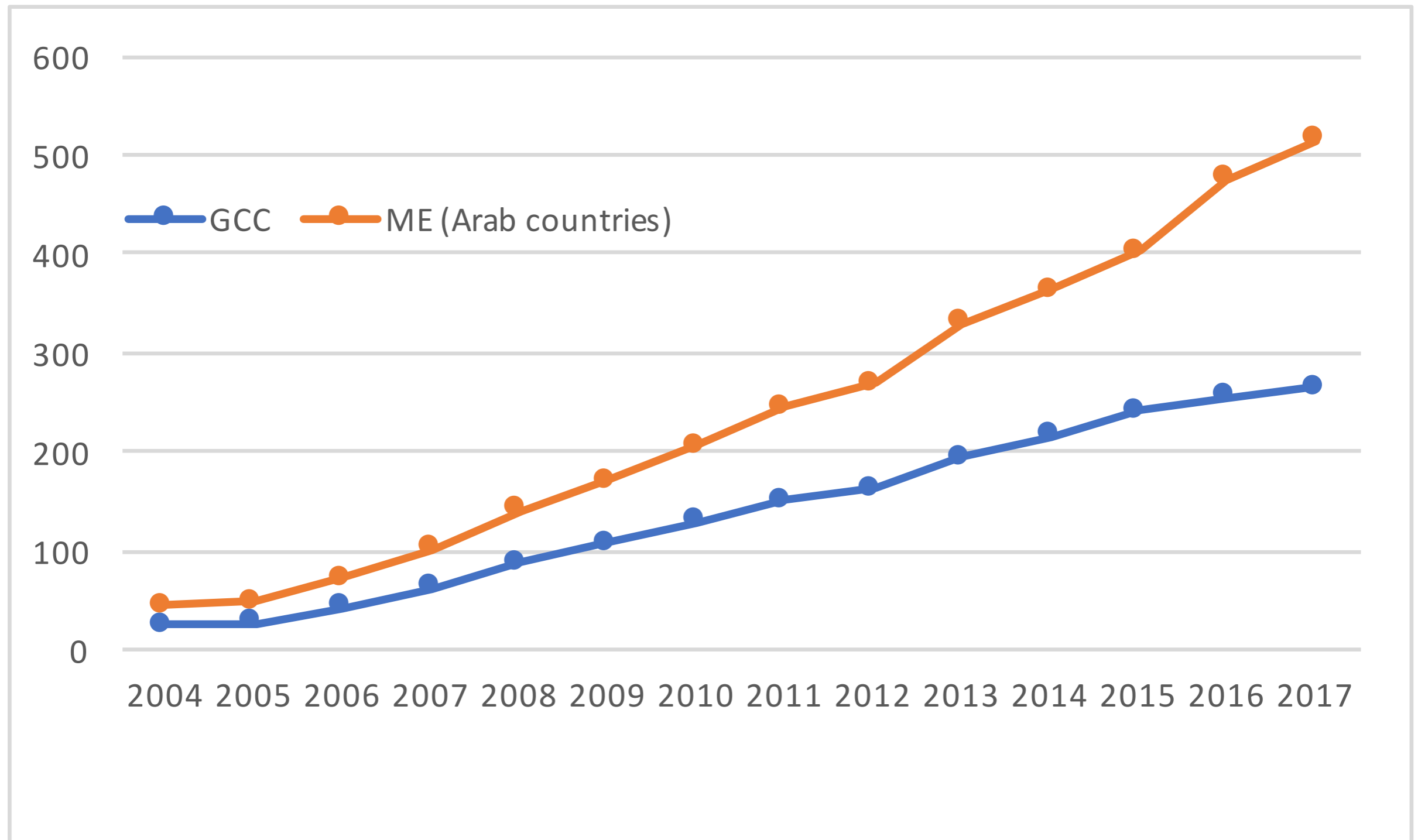
of service (DDoS) attack has been  
2,463 compromised low-powered  
is which punted a media outlet off

# Autonomous System Numbers (ASNs)



Today the Internet has roughly 60,000 autonomous networks that are interconnected.

# Advertised ASNs



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	Total number of advertised ASNs (ME-Arab)	Average number of advertised ASNs (ME-Arab)	Median of advertised ASNs (ME-Arab)	Total number of advertised ASNs (GCC)	Average number of advertised ASNs (GCC)	Median of advertised ASNs (GCC)
2004	44	4	2	25	4	3
2007	515	43	33	265	44	35

# Advertised ASNs



- Total Number of advertised ASNs from the Middle East (Arab countries) = 515 ASNs
- Total Number of advertised ASNs from the GCC countries = 265 ASNs
- Total Number of advertised ASNs from Saudi Arabia = 115 ASNs
- Total Number of advertised ASNs from United Kingdom = 1692 ASNs

# ASNs - Breakdown by Industry



	Countries with advertised ASNs	Countries without advertised ASNs
Telecom /ISP	12	0
Data Centers	10	2
Academic / Research	9	3
Government	8	4
Enterprise / Infrastructure	8	4
Banking / Financial	7	5



# Barclays Bank UK



## AS12701 Barclays Bank plc

ASN	Name
<u>AS5713</u>	<u>Telkom SA Ltd.</u>
<u>AS32787</u>	<u>Akamai Technologies, Inc.</u>
<u>AS3741</u>	<u>IS</u>
<u>AS8220</u>	<u>COLT Technology Services Group Limited</u>
<u>AS10021</u>	<u>KVH Co.,Ltd</u>
<u>AS44022</u>	<u>Barclays Bank PLC</u>
<u>AS6421</u>	<u>TATA COMMUNICATIONS (AMERICA) INC</u>
<u>AS2914</u>	<u>NTT America, Inc.</u>
<u>AS9293</u>	<u>NTT Com Asia Limited</u>
<u>AS702</u>	<u>Verizon Business/UUnet Europe</u>

## AS44022 Barclays Bank PLC

ASN	Name
<u>AS32787</u>	<u>Akamai Technologies, Inc.</u>
<u>AS1273</u>	<u>Cable and Wireless Worldwide plc</u>
<u>AS702</u>	<u>Verizon Business/UUnet Europe</u>
<u>AS8220</u>	<u>COLT Technology Services Group Limited</u>
<u>AS2856</u>	<u>British Telecommunications PLC</u>

# Middle East Traffic Routes

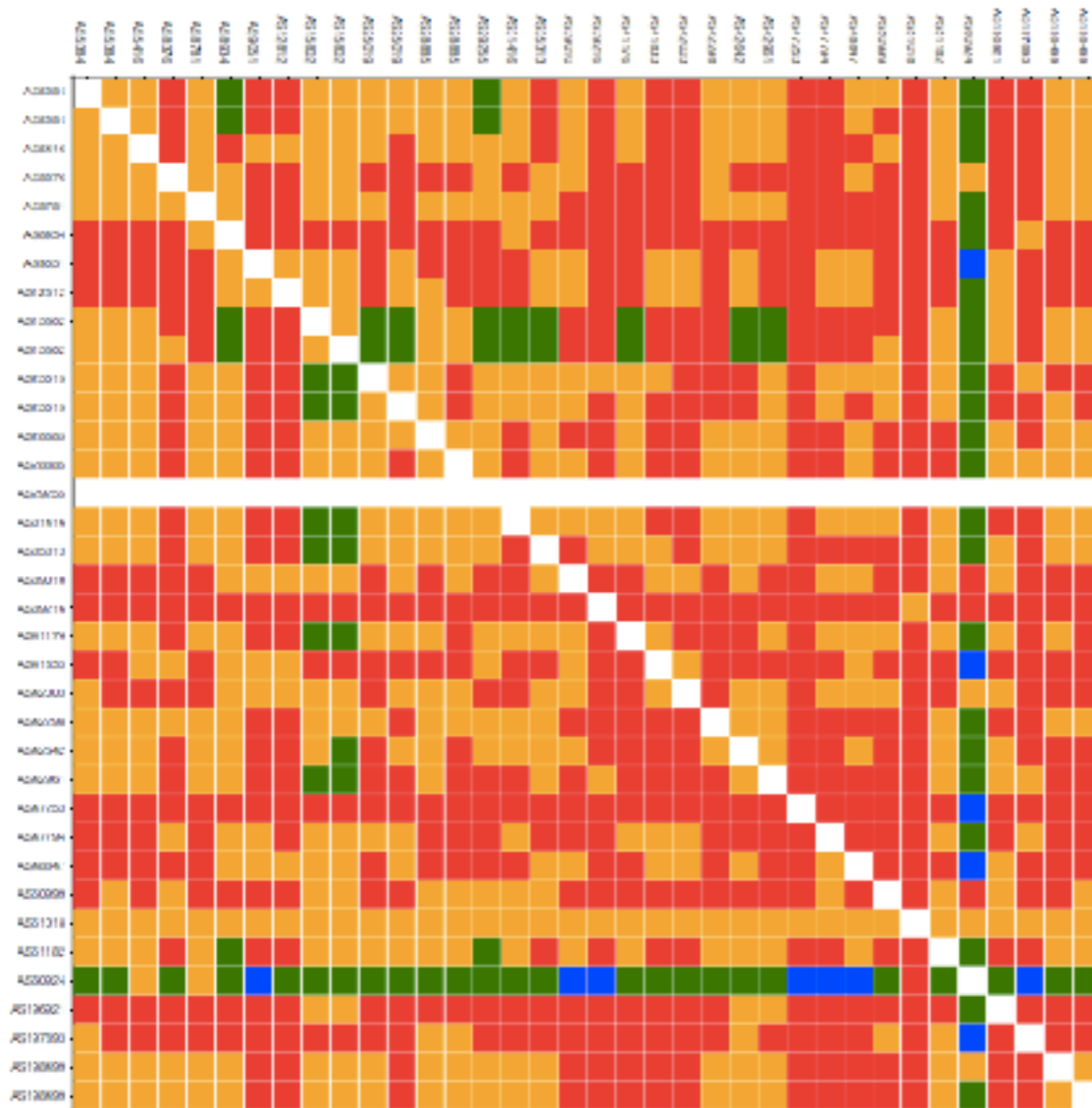


Mouse click on every box to see the tracroute path. | Showing 31 of 31 ASNs.

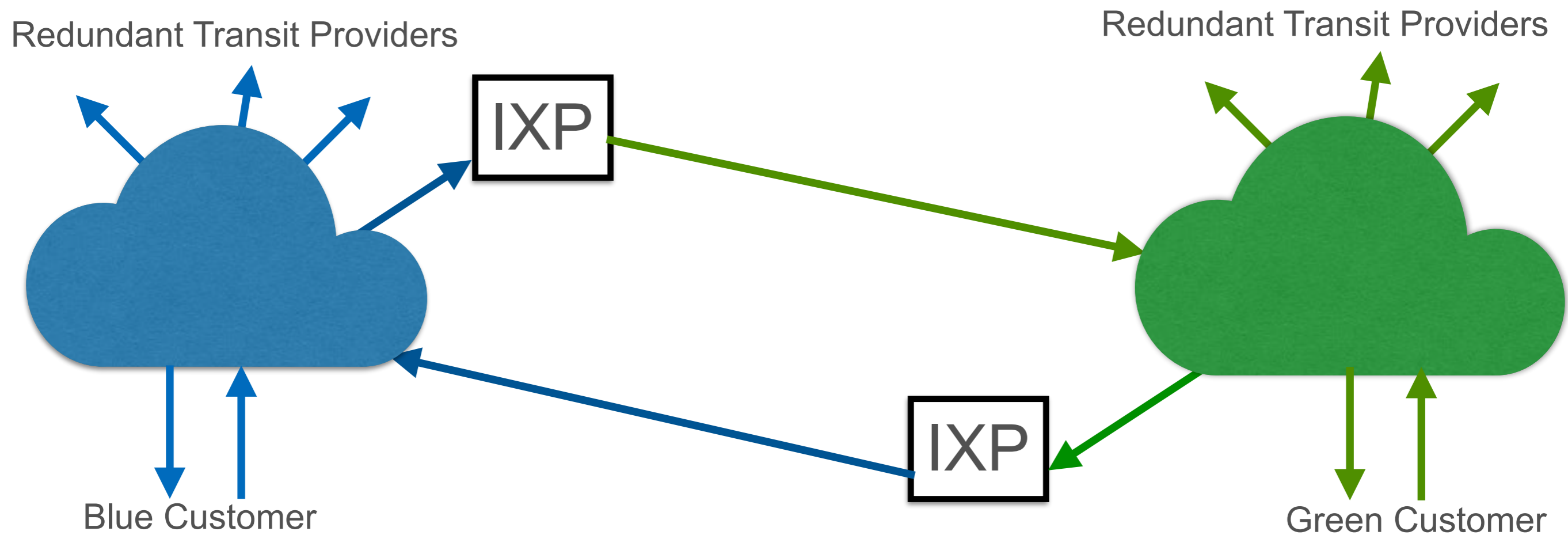
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- IXF IPs: NO, out-of-country IPs: NO
- IXF IPs: YES, out-of-country IPs: YES
- IXF IPs: YES, out-of-country IPs: NO
- IXF IPs: NO, out-of-country IPs: YES



# Why build an IXP?



# Arab ME Countries with IXPs



- Lebanon
- Palestine
- United Arab Emirates

# Root Server Instances



Countries with no root server instances	2
Countries with a single instance	2
Countries with multiple instances	8

Countries with a single root servers	3
Countries with multiple root servers	7

Root instances deployed in a single city	6
Root instances deployed in multiple cities	4



# Country Code Top Level Domains



- The Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC)
- Hosting neighbouring countries ccTLDs and other TLD nameservers of interest domestically helps strengthen the regional Internet.
- The RIPE NCC offers a best-effort secondary name service to some country code top-level domain (ccTLD) operators who are in the start-up phase of their operations.



# Questions



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